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For:	METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING A)
	TUNNEL THROUGH A PROXIMAL END OF A TIBIA)
Examiner:	James L. Swiger III)

TRANSMITTAL FOR REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Examiner:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 for the above-identified application.

A. Instructions and Averments

___ Enter the Amendment under 37 CFR § 1.116, previously filed on _____.

___ This application is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

B. Enclosed

X An Amendment "C" and Response for entry in the present application.

X To render this RCE timely filed, enclosed is a Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time.

C. Payments

X Electronic Payment Form submitting payment in the amount of \$2,010.00 is enclosed to cover the following fees:

X the \$810.00 RCE filing fee pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(e); and

X the \$1,050.00 petition fee for the three month extension of time

X the \$150.00 fee for three new claims not previously paid for.

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X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

X Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16.

X Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.

X Any fees required under 37 CFR § 1.20(d).

___ The issue fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.311(b).

___ A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Please address all future correspondence in connection with the above-identified patent application to the attention of the undersigned.

Dated July 8, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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